Vermont Mental Health Performance Indicator Project

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<u>MEMORANDUM</u>

TO: Vermont Mental Health Performance Indicator Project

Advisory Group and Interested Parties

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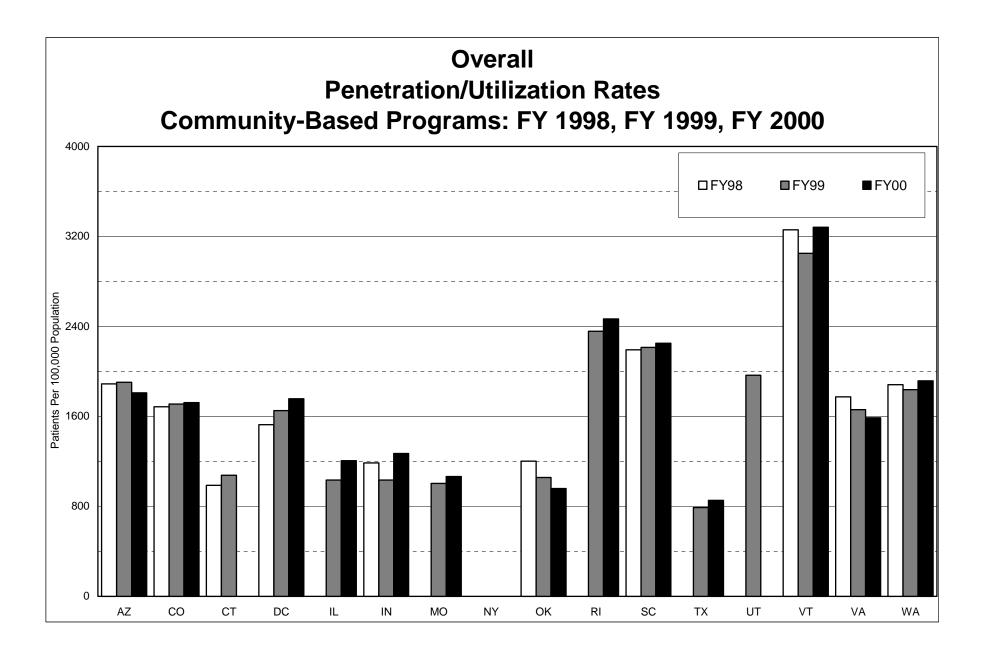
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RE: Community Mental Health Penetration/Utilization Rates

Last week's PIP reported recently published state hospital penetration/utilization rates. This week's PIP reports similar measures for community based mental health programs. Computations are based on unduplicated counts of all individuals served by community mental health programs that are operated or funded by the state mental health authority during each year. All individuals served by these programs, regardless of insurance coverage or legal status, are included in these counts. Community based inpatient mental health programs are excluded from these counts. Computations of penetration/utilization rates for community mental health programs are based on unduplicated counts of people served by state hospitals in each state. All individuals who were served by a community based mental health program during the year, regardless of legal status or diagnosis are included. Utilization rates (per 100,000 population) are derived by multiplying by 100,000 and dividing that number by the total number of residents of the state.

As you will see from the first of the attached tables and graphs, overall utilization rates for community programs during FY1998-2000 range from less than 800 per 100,000 population (in Texas during 1999) to more than 3,000 per 100,000 population (in Vermont during 1998 through 2000).

We will appreciate your comments on the utilization rates presented here and suggestions about how this information could be made more useful to you. Please feel free to contact us at 802-241-2638 or jpandiani@ddmhs.state.vt.us.



OVERALL PENETRATION/UTILIZATION RATES COMMUNITY-BASED PROGRAMS

Rate Per 100,000 Population: FY1998, FY1999, FY2000

	Total		
	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000
Overall			
Median	1,729	1,660	1,721
Minimum	986	790	852
Maximum	3,259	3,051	3,282
State			
Arizona	1,889	1,904	1,810
Colorado	1,685	1,709	1,721
Connecticut	986	1,075	-
DC	1,527	1,651	1,757
Illinois	-	1,033	1,206
Indiana	1,186	1,033	1,270
Missouri	-	1,004	1,066
New York	-	-	-
Oklahoma	1,202	1,057	959
Rhode Island	-	2,358	2,465
South Carolina	2,192	2,214	2,251
Texas	-	790	852
Utah	-	1,965	-
Vermont	3,259	3,051	3,282
Virginia	1,773	1,660	1,587
Washington	1,882	1,838	1,916